	What's acceptable?	What's <u>NOT</u> acceptable?	What happens to the donated items?
Computers, TVs, & Other Electronics	Computers & laptops Computer components Monitors Printers, faxes & copiers TVs & VCRs Telephones, cell phones, answering machines & pagers Stereos, radios/CD players (except speakers), & walkmen Calculators Electric typewriters Scanners	Computer software Monitors or TVs with cracked tubes Stereo/radio speakers Kitchen appliances Any other electronic equipment Dehumidifiers	Computers and electronic equipment collected by E-Tech Recycling for resale, reuse or recycling. Cell phones donated to our local PTAs, which receive \$3 per phone through the Eco-phone program. No tax receipt available.
Clothing & Textiles (in plastic bags)	 Clothing Belts & handbags Hats Paired socks Paired shoes tied together Drapes & curtains (no foam backing) Sheets & towels Fabric remnants (minimum 15" x 15") 	Wet, greasy, or mildewed cloth Rugs & carpets Pillows Plastic High heels Clothing saturated in moth balls Dirty rags	The Clothing Recycling Company distributes them to local charities that serve the working poor, welfare recipients, homeless, disabled, recent immigrants, and seniors living on fixed incomes. Tax receipt available.
Bicycles & Sewing Machines (\$10 donation requested per bicycle)	 Adult bikes & adult tricycles Children's bikes Tandem bikes Bicycle parts Mopeds (operable and emptied of gas) Portable sewing machines 	Tricycles Frames only (bikes must have at least one wheel, preferably two) Fully rusted bikes Inoperable sewing machines	 Bikes for the World, a nonprofit program, ships the bicycles overseas to provide people in developing countries with a means of transportation to get to jobs, markets, and schools. The sewing machines are used in vocational programs and cooperatives. Tax receipt available.
Printer Cartridges	Inkjet cartridgesLaser printer cartridgesFax machine cartridges	Tubs of powdered toner from copiers	Collected for the Recycle for the Students program, through which our local PTAs earn \$1 per cartridge. The cartridges are refilled and resold.
Eyeglasses & Hearing Aids	 Eyeglasses Reading glasses Sunglasses Eyeglass cases Frames without lenses Hearing aids 	Lenses without frames	 Donated to the Lions Club Recycling Center for refurbishing and distribution to needy people in developing countries. No tax receipt available.
Medical Supplies	 Braces Canes Crutches Splints Strollers Walkers Wheelchairs 	Hospital-type beds Portable commodes ("potty chairs") Shower Chairs Transfer Benches	Virginia Hospital Center Medical Brigade collects items to send with medical volunteers who provide comprehensive medical services to poverty-stricken patients in developing countries. Tax receipt available.



Some of these items may also be donated to local charities. To locate a charitable thrift store near you, look under "Thrift Shops" in the Yellow Pages.

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